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2001/1
Role of UNDP in crisis and post-conflict situations

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on the role of the United Nations Development Programme in crisis and post-conflict situations (DP/2001/4 and Corr.1);

2. *Reaffirms* the core mandate of the United Nations Development Programme in promoting sustainable human development, as well as the requirement that its operations are in accordance with its mandate and principles, and at the request of the Government concerned;

3. *Recognizes* that crisis prevention and disaster mitigation should be integral parts of sustainable human development strategies and also recognizes that the United Nations Development Programme has some relevant operational experience in crisis and post-conflict situations;

4. *Reiterates* its serious concern about the low level of the core resources of the United Nations Development Programme and requests the Administrator to take all appropriate steps to augment these resources while also improving the quality of all services delivered by the Programme;

5. *Encourages* the United Nations Development Programme, in the context of the ongoing system-wide discussions, to play an advocacy role in promoting the fundamental importance of a long-term development perspective;

6. *Requests* the United Nations Development Programme, in its capacity as the manager of the resident coordinator system, to strengthen its coordinating role and its cooperation, in keeping with its core mandate, with other United Nations entities.

5 February 2001

2001/2
Technical cooperation among developing countries

The Executive Board

1. *Recalls* that the second cooperation framework for technical cooperation among developing countries 2001-2003 (DP/CF/TCDC/2) was approved on 31 January 2001 and also recalls General Assembly resolution 53/192 of 15 December 1998 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/19 of 28 July 2000;

2. *Notes* the lessons learned from the first cooperation framework, which include the need for synergy between, and complementarity with, other efforts of the United Nations Development Programme in this area, the need for a more systematic assessment of the impact of technical cooperation among developing countries and the need to focus on facilitating south-south capacity-building processes;

3. *Welcomes* the Administrator's efforts to enhance and mainstream technical cooperation among developing countries within the United Nations Development Programme and recognizes the unique role of the Special Unit for TCDC in these efforts;

4. *Appreciates* the contribution made to the South-South Trust Fund by a number of countries and other donors and encourages all partners to increase their efforts to support technical cooperation among developing countries, in particular through innovative models of south-south cooperation, recognizing that ongoing and new partnerships among developing countries and their regional organizations are a good basis for fostering development;

5. *Reiterates* its concern about the low level of core resources of the United Nations Development Programme, which in turn has affected the resources allocated to the Special Unit for TCDC;

6. *Requests* the Administrator to consider reviewing, in the context of the successor programming arrangements, the allocation of additional resources for activities involving technical cooperation among developing countries, taking into account the overall financial situation and the need for appropriate resources for other activities.

2 February 2001

2001/3
UNDP: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1998-1999

The Executive Board

1. *Notes* that considerable progress has been made by the United Nations Development Programme in implementing the recommendations of previous reports of the Board of Auditors and that action is being taken to address all recommendations made by the Board of Auditors in its report for the biennium 1998-1999;

2. *Welcomes* the measures described in document DP/2001/CRP.5 and urges the secretariat to take further appropriate measures to ensure the timely delivery of compliant and accurate financial statements according to the United Nations system accounting standards.

1 February 2001

2001/4
UNOPS: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1998-1999

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on the follow-up to the recommendations of the Board of Auditors (DP/2001/8);

2. *Requests* the Executive Director to provide the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2002, with an updated overview of the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, including follow-up action completed.

1 February 2001

2001/5
UNFPA: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1998-1999

The Executive Board

Takes note of the progress report provided by the Executive Director on the measures that have been taken or are planned in implementing the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for the biennium 1998-1999, as contained in document DP/FPA/2001/ 2.

1 February 2001

2001/6
Proposed common financial regulations concerning contributions from non-governmental sources

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on common financial regulations concerning contributions from non-governmental sources (DP/FPA/2001/3 and DP/2001/9);

2. *Approves* the proposed common financial regulations as annexed to the present decision.

31 January 2001

Annex
Proposed common regulations

1. First common regulation

For UNFPA

"Contributions may be accepted by UNFPA from Governments of States Members of the United Nations, of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as from those organizations and agencies themselves. Other contributions, including those from intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector sources, may be accepted by UNFPA and utilized for the general support of UNFPA or for purposes consistent with those of UNFPA."

For UNDP

"Contributions may be accepted by UNDP from Governments of States Members of the United Nations, of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as from those organizations and agencies themselves. Other contributions, including those from intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector sources, may be accepted by UNDP and utilized for the general support of UNDP or for purposes consistent with those of UNDP."

2. *Second common regulation*

For UNFPA

"The Executive Director shall report annually to the Executive Board on individual contributions received from intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector sources, subject to such limits as the Executive Board may specifically decide."

For UNDP

"The Administrator shall report annually to the Executive Board on individual contributions received from intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector sources, subject to such limits as the Executive Board may specifically decide."

3. In the implementation of the second common regulation, the following common new rule is established: "Individual contributions above a value of $100,000 received from intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector resources shall be reported annually to the Executive Board."

4. For UNFPA, the first common regulation replaces Financial Regulation 4.1, and Financial Regulation 4.9 is deleted. The second common regulation takes the place of the current Financial Regulation 4.11.

5. For UNDP, the first common financial regulation replaces current Financial Regulation 5.02, while the second common financial regulation replaces the current Financial Regulation 5.09.

31 January 2001

2001/7
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its first regular session 2001

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the first regular session 2001, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Elected the following members of the Bureau for 2001:

President: H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal (Guatemala)

Vice-President: Mr. Grant Robertson (New Zealand)

Vice-President: Mr. Azanaw Taddesse Abreha (Ethiopia)

Vice-President: Mr. Le Hoai Trung (Viet Nam)

Vice-President: Mr. Volodymyr G. Krokhmal (Ukraine)

Took note of the election by the Economic and Social Council of the delegation of Djibouti to replace the delegation of Comoros as a member of the Executive Board 2001-2003;

Approved the agenda and work plan for its first regular session 2001 (DP/2001/L.1 and Corr.1), as orally amended;

Approved the report of the third regular session 2000 (DP/2001/1);

Approved its annual work plan 2001 (DP/2001/3);

Agreed to postpone consideration of agenda item 8 on UNFPA Technical Advisory Programme from the second regular session 2001 to the first regular session 2002;

Agreed to the following schedule of future sessions of the Executive Board in 2001:

Annual session 2001:	11 to 22 June 2001 (New York)
Second regular session 2001:	10 to 14 September 2001

UNDP segment

Item 2
UNDP Business Plans, 2000-2003

Took note of the update on the UNDP Business Plans, 2000-2003 (DP/2001/CRP.2);

Took note of the report on the follow-up to the Ministerial Meeting of 11 September 2000 (DP/2001/CRP.3) with comments made thereon;

Adopted decision 2001/1 of 2 February 2001 on the role of UNDP in crisis and post-conflict situations;

Item 3
Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Took note of the report on assistance to Myanmar (DP/2001/5) and requested the Administrator, taking into account the findings of the independent assessment mission to Myanmar, to submit, at the earliest possible date, for the consideration of the Executive Board, a proposal for continued United Nations Development Programme assistance to Myanmar in accordance with the guidelines established in Governing Council decision 93/21 and in Executive Board decisions 96/1 and 98/14;

Approved the following country cooperation frameworks:

First country cooperation framework for Turkey	DP/CCF/TUR/1
Second country cooperation framework for Bangladesh	DP/CCF/BGD/2
Second country cooperation framework for Belarus	DP/CCF/BLR/2

Second country cooperation framework for Bosnia and Herzegovina	DP/CCF/BIH/2 and Corr.1
Second country cooperation framework for Cambodia	DP/CCF/CMB/2
Second country cooperation framework for Croatia	DP/CCF/CRO/2
Second country cooperation framework for Georgia	DP/CCF/GEO/2
Second country cooperation framework for Latvia	DP/CCF/LAT/2
Second country cooperation framework for Lithuania	DP/CCF/LIT/2
Second country cooperation framework for Mauritius	DP/CCF/MAR/2
Second country cooperation framework for the Russian Federation	DP/CCF/RUS/2 and Corr.1
Second country cooperation framework for Saint Helena	DP/CCF/STH/2
Second country cooperation framework for Saudi Arabia	DP/CCF/SAU/2
Second country cooperation framework for Uganda	DP/CCF/UGA/2

Took note of the following extensions of country cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Burundi	DP/CCF/BDI/1/EXT.II
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Kuwait	DP/CCF/KUW/1/EXT.I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for the Lao People's Democratic Republic	DP/CCF/LAO/1/EXT.I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	DP/CCF/LIB/1/EXT.I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Rwanda	DP/CCF/RWA/1/EXT.I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Syria	DP/CCF/SYR/1/EXT.I

Approved the following extensions of country and regional cooperation frameworks:

Second extension of the first country cooperation framework for Eritrea	DP/CCF/ERI/1/EXT.II
Second extension of the first country cooperation framework for Estonia	DP/CCF/EST/1/EXT.II
Second extension of the first country cooperation framework for the Republic of Moldova	DP/CCF/MOL/1/EXT.II
Second extension of the first regional cooperation framework for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States	DP/RCF/REC/1/EXT.II

Took note of the following country and regional reviews:

First country review report for Lesotho	DP/CRR/LES/1
First country review report for Lithuania	DP/CRR/LIT/1
First country review report for Nepal	DP/CRR/NEP/1
First country review report for Yemen	DP/CRR/YEM/1 and Corr.1
Review of the first regional cooperation framework for the Arab States	DP/RRR/RAS/1

Approved the second global cooperation framework (DP/GCF/2);

Item 4
Technical cooperation among developing countries

Approved the second cooperation framework for technical cooperation among developing countries (DP/CF/TCDC/2);

Adopted decision 2001/2 of 2 February 2001 on technical cooperation among developing countries;

UNDP/UNFPA joint segment

Item 5
Reports to the Economic and Social Council

Took note of the reports of the UNDP Administrator (DP/2001/6) and the UNFPA Executive Director (DP/FPA/2001/1) to the Economic and Social Council and agreed to transmit them to the Economic and Social Council with comments made thereon;

Item 6
Recommendations of the Board of Auditors 1998-1999

Adopted decision 2001/3 of 1 February 2001 on UNDP: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors 1998-1999;

Adopted decision 2001/4 of 1 February 2001 on UNOPS: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1998-1999;

Adopted decision 2001/5 of 1 February 2001 on UNFPA: Follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1998-1999;

Item 7
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2001/6 of 31 January 2001 on the proposed common financial regulations concerning contributions from non-governmental sources (DP/FPA/2001/3 and DP/2001/9);

UNFPA segment

Item 8
Country programmes and related matters

Took note of the oral report on progress on implementing the 2000-2003 intercountry programme;

Approved the following programmes of assistance:

Assistance to the Government of Burkina Faso	DP/FPA/BFA/5
Assistance to the Government of Chad	DP/FPA/TCD/4
Assistance to the Government of Ghana	DP/FPA/GHA/4
Assistance to the Government of Namibia	DP/FPA/NAM/3
Assistance to the Government of Uganda	DP/FPA/UGA/5
Assistance to the Palestinian people	DP/FPA/PAPP/2
Assistance to the Government of Turkey	DP/FPA/TUR/3
Assistance to the Government of Indonesia	DP/FPA/INS/6
Assistance to the Government of Ecuador	DP/FPA/ECU/3
Assistance to the Government of Guatemala	DP/FPA/GTM/4
Assistance to the Government of Peru	DP/FPA/PER/6

Item 9
Other matters

Authorized the Bureau of the Executive Board to confirm the selection of representatives from the African States, the Asian States and the Latin America and Caribbean States to serve on the WHO/UNICEF/UNFPA Coordinating Committee on Health for a two-year term;

Took note of the oral report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services on the utilization of the operational reserve;

Item 10
Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA and UNICEF, with the participation of WFP

Held a joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA and UNICEF, with the participation of WFP, on progress with the use of common country assessment indicator frameworks.

5 February 2001

Tentative work plan
Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA
Annual session 2001
(11 to 22 June 2001)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Monday, 11 June	a.m.	1	Organizational matters: agenda and work plan; report on the first regular session 2001
			UNFPA segment
		2	Report of the Executive Director for 2000
	p.m.	2	Report of the Executive Director for 2000
Tuesday, 12 June	a.m.	2	Report of the Executive Director for 2000
	p.m.	2	Report of the Executive Director for 2000
Wednesday, 13 June	a.m.	3	Funding commitments to UNFPA
			- Report on funding commitments
	p.m.	4	Programming process
			- Report on progress and future options in the programming process (dec. 2000/12)
Thursday, 14 June	a.m.	5	Information and communication strategy
			- Report on review of the UNFPA information and communication strategy (dec. 97/13)
	p.m.		*UNDP segment*
		14	United Nations Office for Project Services
			- Annual report of the Executive Director
			- Implementation of recommendations of the evaluation of the relationship between UNDP and UNOPS: final report (dec. 99/12)
Friday, 15 June	a.m.	14	United Nations Office for Project Services (continued if need be)
	p.m.		*UNDP/UNFPA joint segment*
		6	Internal audit and oversight
			- Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and oversight
		8	UNAIDS and reports of UNDP and UNFPA on their contributions to the United Nations System Strategic Plan for HIV/AIDS for 2001-2005 (Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/36, para.9 (c))
	p.m.	7	Reports on field visits

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Monday, 18 June	a.m.		*UNDP segment*
		9	Annual report of the Administrator and results-oriented annual report for 2000
	p.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator and results-oriented annual report for 2000 (continued)
Tuesday, 19 June	a.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator and results-oriented annual report for 2000 (continued)
	p.m.	12	Financial resources
			- Review of funding commitments
Wednesday, 20 June	a.m.	12	Financial resources (continued)
			- Evaluation of non-core funding (dec. 98/2, para. 10)
	p.m.		Financial resources (continued)
			- Issues and principles for possible improvements in the present target for resource assignments from the core (TRAC) resource distribution model, including a review of thresholds
Thursday, 21 June	a.m.	10	United Nations Capital Development Fund
			- Results-oriented annual report
	p.m.		*United Nations Volunteers Special Event*
Friday, 22 June	a.m.	13	Programme cooperation frameworks and related matters
			- Proposal for new UNDP country programming instruments
	p.m.		Pending decisions
		15	Other matters:
			Report on outcome of Coordinating Committee on Health